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The following document was cited in an Office Action conducted in Chinese Patent Application No. 2003 101 02488.0, which is a counterpart of the above-captioned application. An English language translation of the Chinese Office Action is attached. In particular, the European Examiner cited:

(1) Great Britain Patent Application No. 1,019,842 published February 9, 1966.

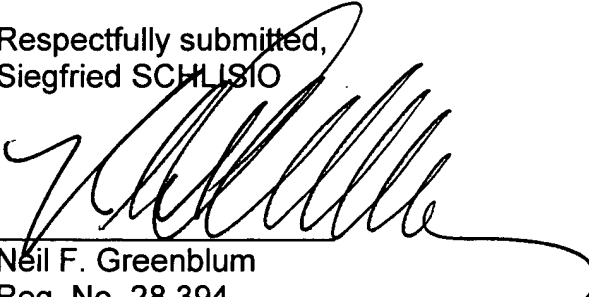
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